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## IN THE SPECIFICATION

### **Amendments to the Specification:**

Please amend the first paragraph of the specification as follows:

--This is a continuation application of Serial No. 09/054,068 filed April 2, 1998, now  
U.S. Patent 6,236,400, issued on May 21, 2001.--